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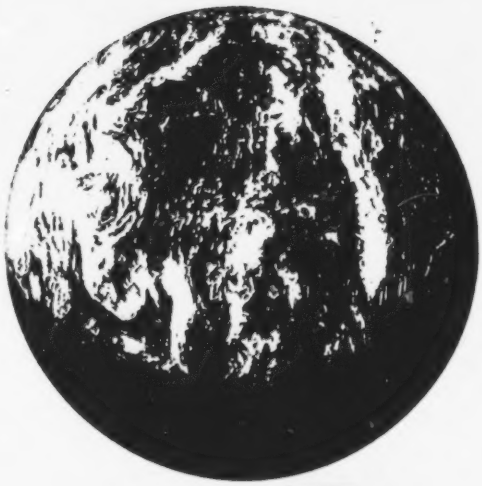

UN50

"We the Peoples of the United Nations...

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"The Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations is a time to project into the future our vision of a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world. It is a time to rekindle the ideals of the Charter, to spread the spirit of cooperation among the peoples of the world, to celebrate and to share a vision of the great potential of this unique Organization. We should raise public awareness of the Organization, and build a constituency for the United Nations in world public opinion. We should reach out to a wider, more global audience, especially young people. In this way, the United Nations will be both strengthened and renewed."

Boutros Boutros-Ghali Secretary General of the United Nations
20 October, 1994

Member States of the United Nations

The 184 Member States of the United Nations are listed below with the dates on which they became Members:

Afghanistan	*19 November 1946*
Albania	*14 December 1955*
Algeria	*8 October 1962*
Andorra	*28 July 1993*
Angola	*1 December 1976*
Antigua and Barbuda	*11 November 1981*
Argentina	*24 October 1945*
Armenia	*2 March 1992*
Australia	*1 November 1945*
Austria	*14 December 1955*
Azerbaijan	*2 March 1992*
Bahamas	*18 September 1973*
Bahrain	*21 September 1971*
Bangladesh	*17 September 1974*
Barbados	*9 December 1966*
Belarus	*24 October 1945*
Belgium	*27 December 1945*
Belize	*25 September 1981*
Benin	*20 September 1960*
Bhutan	*21 September 1971*
Bolivia	*14 November 1945*
Bosnia and Herzegovina	*22 May 1992*
Botswana	*17 October 1966*
Brazil	*24 October 1945*
Brunei Darussalam	*21 September 1984*
Bulgaria	*14 December 1955*
Burkina Faso	*20 September 1960*
Burundi	*18 September 1962*
Cambodia	*14 December 1955*
Cameroon	*20 September 1960*
Canada	*9 November 1945*
Cape Verde	*16 September 1975*
Central African Republic	*20 September 1960*
Chad	*20 September 1960*
Chile	*24 October 1945*
China, People's Republic of	*24 October 1945*
Colombia	*5 November 1945*
Comoros	*12 November 1975*
Congo	*20 September 1960*
Costa Rica	*2 November 1945*
Côte d'Ivoire	*20 September 1960*
Croatia	*22 May 1992*
Cuba	*24 October 1945*
Cyprus	*20 September 1960*
Czech Republic	*19 January 1993*
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	*17 September 1991*
Denmark	*24 October 1945*
Djibouti	*20 September 1977*
Dominica	*18 December 1978*
Dominican Republic	*24 October 1945*
Ecuador	*21 December 1945*
Egypt	*24 October 1945*
El Salvador	*24 October 1945*
Equatorial Guinea	*12 November 1968*
Eritrea	*28 May 1993*
Estonia	*17 September 1991*
Ethiopia	*13 November 1945*
Fiji	*13 October 1970*
Finland	*14 December 1955*
France	*24 October 1945*
Gabon	*20 September 1960*
Gambia	*21 September 1965*

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Georgia	*31 July 1992*
Germany	*18 September 1973*
Ghana	*8 March 1957*
Greece	*25 October 1945*
Grenada	*17 September 1974*
Guatemala	*21 November 1945*
Guinea	*12 December 1958*
Guinea-Bissau	*17 September 1974*
Guyana	*20 September 1966*
Haiti	*24 October 1945*
Honduras	*17 December 1945*
Hungary	*14 December 1955*
Iceland	*19 November 1946*
India	*30 October 1945*
Indonesia	*28 September 1950*
Iran	*24 October 1945*
Iraq	*21 December 1945*
Ireland	*14 December 1955*
Israel	*11 May 1949*
Italy	*14 December 1955*
Jamaica	*18 September 1962*
Japan	*18 December 1956*
Jordan	*14 December 1955*
Kazakhstan	*2 March 1992*
Kenya	*16 December 1963*
Kuwait	*14 May 1963*
Kyrgyzstan	*2 March 1992*
Lao People's Democratic Republic	*14 December 1955*
Latvia	*17 September 1991*
Lebanon	*24 October 1945*
Lesotho	*17 October 1966*
Liberia	*2 November 1945*
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	*14 December 1955*
Liechtenstein	*18 September 1990*
Lithuania	*17 September 1991*
Luxembourg	*24 October 1945*
Madagascar	*20 September 1960*
Malawi	*1 December 1964*
Malaysia	*17 September 1957*
Maldives	*21 September 1965*
Mali	*28 September 1960*
Malta	*1 December 1964*
Marshall Islands	*17 September 1991*
Mauritania	*27 October 1961*
Mauritius	*24 April 1968*
Mexico	*7 November 1945*
Micronesia	*17 September 1991*
Monaco	*28 May 1993*
Mongolia	*27 October 1961*
Morocco	*12 November 1956*
Mozambique	*16 September 1975*
Myanmar	*19 April 1948*
Namibia	*23 April 1990*
Nepal	*14 December 1955*
Netherlands	*10 December 1945*
New Zealand	*24 October 1945*
Nicaragua	*24 October 1945*
Niger	*20 September 1960*
Nigeria	*7 October 1960*
Norway	*27 November 1945*
Oman	*7 October 1971*
Pakistan	*30 September 1947*
Panama	*13 November 1945*
Papua New Guinea	*10 October 1975*
Paraguay	*24 October 1945*
Peru	*31 October 1945*
Philippines	*24 October 1945*
Poland	*24 October 1945*
Portugal	*14 December 1955*
Qatar	*21 September 1971*
Republic of Korea	*17 September 1991*
Republic of Moldova	*2 March 1992*
Romania	*14 December 1955*
Russian Federation	*24 October 1945*
Rwanda	*18 September 1962*
Saint Kitts and Nevis	*23 September 1983*
Saint Lucia	*18 September 1979*
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	*16 September 1980*
Samoa	*15 December 1976*
San Marino	*2 March 1992*

Member States of the United Nations (Continued)

Sao Tome et Principe	*16 September 1975*
Saudi Arabia	*24 October 1945*
Senegal	*28 September 1960*
Seychelles	*21 September 1976*
Sierra Leone	*27 September 1961*
Singapore	*21 September 1965*
Slovakia	*19 January 1993*
Slovenia	*22 May 1992*
Solomon Island	*19 September 1978*
Somalia	*20 September 1960*
South Africa	*7 November 1945*
Spain	*14 December 1955*
Sri Lanka	*14 December 1955*
Sudan	*12 November 1956*
Suriname	*4 December 1975*
Swaziland	*24 September 1968*
Sweden	*19 November 1946*
Syrian Arab Republic	*24 October 1945*
Tajikistan	*2 March 1992*
Thailand	*16 December 1946*
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	*8 April 1993*
Togo	*20 September 1960*
Trinidad and Tobago	*18 September 1962*
Tunisia	*12 November 1956*
Turkey	*24 October 1945*
Turkmenistan	*2 March 1992*
Uganda	*25 October 1962*
Ukraine	*24 October 1945*
United Arab Emirates	*9 December 1971*
United Kingdom of Great Britian and Northern Ireland	*24 October 1945*
United Republic of Tanzania	*14 December 1961*
United States of America	*24 October 1945*
Uruguay	*18 December 1945*
Uzbekistan	*2 March 1992*
Vanuatu	*15 September 1981*
Venezuela	*15 November 1945*
Viet Nam	*20 September 1977*
Yemen	*30 September 1947*
Yugoslavia	*24 October 1945*
Zaire	*20 September 1960*
Zambia	*1 December 1964*
Zimbabwe	*25 August 1980*

Message from the Secretary General

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JUST IN THE TIME since I took office as Secretary-General of the United Nations, changes in world affairs of vast significance have been recognized. Everyone's life, wherever lived, is now lived in a global context. Societies which once felt able to stand alone now see themselves interlocked with others. The great human goals of peace, justice and prosperity are now understood to require ever widening cooperative effort for their achievement. And a new array of problems of undeniable global dimensions are beyond the ability of any single country or group of States to solve.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations has arrived, therefore, at one of the turning points in modern history. At this moment the first words of the Charter, "We the Peoples of the United Nations" convey a meaning originally intended but perhaps never before fully comprehended. We—all of us—*are* the United Nations. Unique in its universal character as the world Organization, the United Nations is not a substitute or surrogate for individual, community, national or international action. The United Nations is now and increasingly will be what we choose to make of it. The United Nation in its second half-century will be ever-more indispensable and can be ever-more effective as peoples and their governments recognize and fulfill the responsibilities and opportunities that now are placed before us.

Boutros Boutros-Ghali Secretary General of the United Nations
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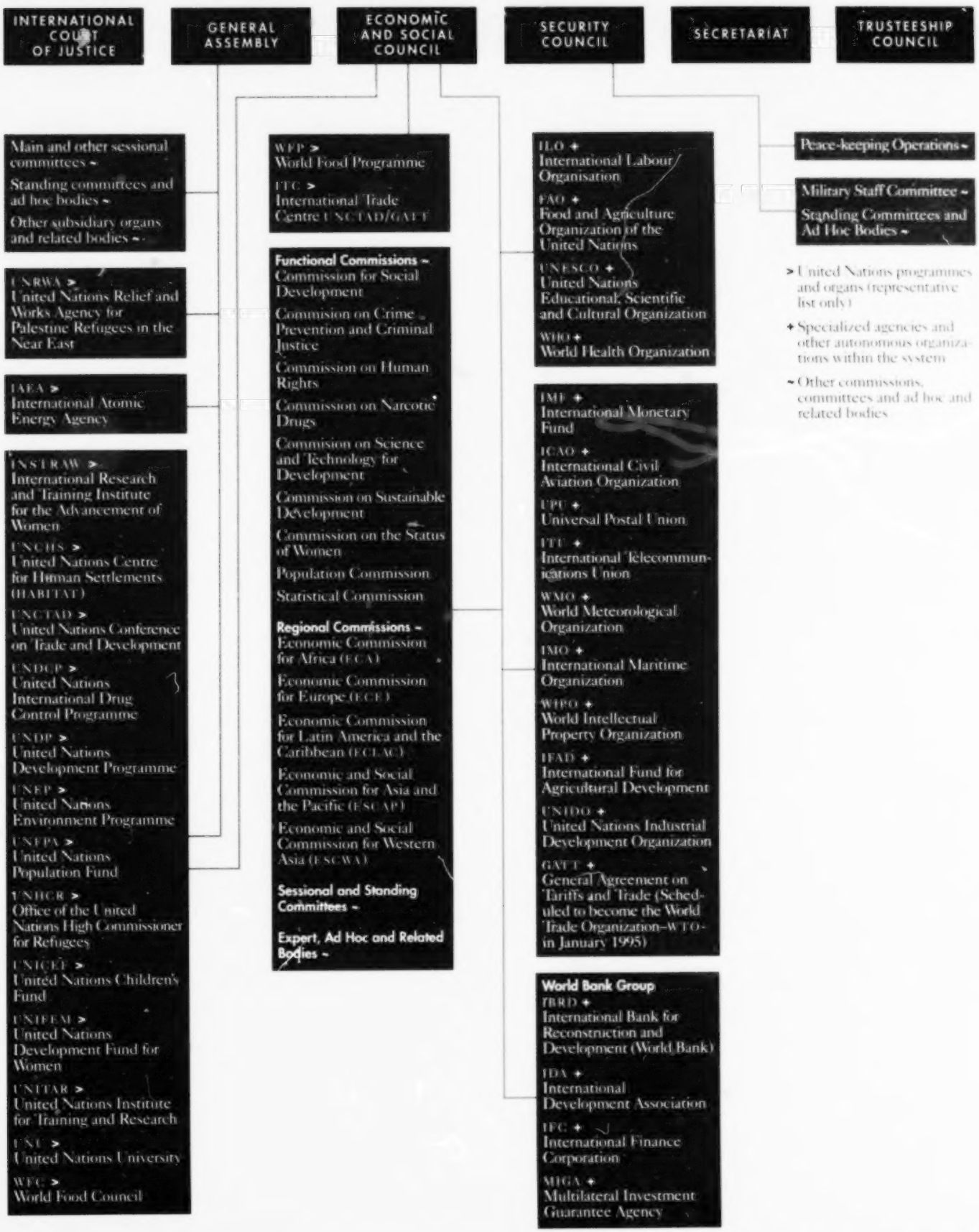
The United Nations System


INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
SECURITY COUNCIL
SECRETARIAT
TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL
Main and other sessional committees ~
Standing committees and ad hoc bodies ~
Other subsidiary organs and related bodies ~
UNRWA >
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
IAEA >
International Atomic Energy Agency
INSTRAW >
International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
UNCHS >
United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (HABITAT)
UNCTAD >
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDCP >
United Nations International Drug Control Programme
UNDP >
United Nations Development Programme
UNEP >
United Nations Environment Programme
UNFPA >
United Nations Population Fund
UNHCR >
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF >
United Nations Children's Fund
UNIFEM >
United Nations Development Fund for Women
UNITAR >
United Nations Institute for Training and Research
UNU >
United Nations University
WFC >
World Food Council
WFP >
World Food Programme
ITC >
International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT
Functional Commissions ~
Commission for Social Development
Commision on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice
Commission on Human Rights
Commission on Narcotic Drugs
Commision on Science and Technology for Development
Commission on Sustainable Development
Commission on the Status of Women
Population Commission
Statistical Commission
Regional Commissions ~
Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
Sessional and Standing Committees ~
Expert, Ad Hoc and Related Bodies ~
ILO +
International Labour Organisation
FAO +
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
UNESCO +
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
WHO +
World Health Organization
IMF +
International Monetary Fund
ICAO +
International Civil Aviation Organization
UPU +
Universal Postal Union
ITU +
International Telecommunications Union
WMO +
World Meteorological Organization
IMO +
International Maritime Organization
WIPO +
World Intellectual Property Organization
IFAD +
International Fund for Agricultural Development
UNIDO +
United Nations Industrial Development Organization
GATT +
General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Scheduled to become the World Trade Organization–WTO–in January 1995)
World Bank Group
IBRD +
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)
IDA +
International Development Association
IFC +
International Finance Corporation
MIGA +
Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency
Peace-keeping Operations ~
Military Staff Committee ~
Standing Committees and Ad Hoc Bodies ~
> United Nations programmes and organs (representative list only)
+ Specialized agencies and other autonomous organizations within the system
~ Other commissions, committees and ad hoc and related bodies

Fiftieth Anniversary Logo

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UN50 on the Information Highway

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Through Internet, a network of computer networks, you can now have instant access to information on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations; from major global achievements of the UN system and significant moments in its history to an annotated list of UN50 global projects, contacts for participation and national and locally planned activities.

The UN50 information is located on the UNDP gopher, an Internet node located at UN Headquarters in New York, as a main menu item entitled **United Nations 50th Anniversary**. The following will provide you with some steps to peruse and download information.

- Users who have Mosaic (a Web viewer) you can connect to URL: **HTTP://WWW.undp.org**
- For those who have a Gopher client programme connect to: **gopher.undp.org**
- If you have Telnet access, then type: **open fatty.law.cornell.edu**; when you are prompted for a login, type: **gopher**; at the main menu select: **Other gopher and Information Services**; at the next menu select: **International Organizations;** in this sub-menu select: **United Nations**
- If you have E-mail access only, then send a message to: **gopher@undp.org**; this will generate an automated reply with step by step instructions.

So if you need UN50 information fast or you're just "surfing" on the Internet, drop by and check out what's in store for UN50. Or just send us a note on your plans at **un50@undp.org.**

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The United Nations at 50: An Overview

"We celebrate a history of remarkable achievements and the beginning of an era of new challenges that requries the involvement of all of us"

Gillian Martin Sorensen
Under-Secretary-General
Special Adviser for Public Policy

"We the Peoples of the United Nations... United for a Better World"

The United Nations Fiftieth Anniversary in 1995 coincides with a turning point in history that calls for serious rethinking of the ways the international organization deals with development, peace and security. The Fiftieth Anniversary is therefore a time not only for reflection on the achievements and difficult lessons of the past, but also for charting a course for the next century.

There is much to celebrate. When the Charter of the United Nations came into force on 24 October 1945, it heralded the birth of the United Nations as a universal international organization created to maintain world peace and security and to work for social progress. Although its failures and frustrations have received widespread attention, its successes in economic and social development, decolonization, human rights, disarmament and peace-keeping have clearly made a difference in the second half of this century. A forum for all nations, the UN represents the highest aspirations of the world's peoples for a world free of war, poverty, repression and suffering. It remains a priceless inheritance.

To carry out its mandate, the UN must have basic resources. It requires not only the political and financial backing of Member States, but also needs the support and understanding of its larger constituencies—the general public, non-governmental organizations and the business community. The Fiftieth Anniversary commemoration seeks to deepen this understanding and commitment and inspire a new generation of UN supporters.

A year-long commemoration

The UN General Assembly established a Preparatory Committee for the 50th Anniversary chaired by Ambassador Richard Butler (Australia). The year-long programme of events will culminate with a special commemorative meeting of the General Assembly, attended by world leaders, on 24 October 1995. That meeting is expected to adopt a Declaration reaffirming the principles of the UN Charter and setting guidelines for the future work of the Organization.

A UN50 Secretariat, headed by Special Adviser to the Secretary-General Gillian Martin Sorensen, is coordinating the world-wide observances. It serves as a catalyst and a clearing-house for global projects and information related to the commemoration and is organizing the official Anniversary programme.

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Global participation

The Anniversary provides the opportunity for the UN to reach out to broad constituencies, new and old, across national, political and social boundaries, bridging gaps of understanding and information regarding its work. UN50-related events, projects and studies are designed to inform and encourage debate on vital issues. Participants include:

- Every Member State, each asked by the Secretary-General to establish a UN50 National Committee to encourage and sponsor commemorative activities. Nearly 100 have been established already.
- The UN System, the Secretariat, every UN agency, fund, programme, regional commission and local office, taking up the challenge to explain their work and support global and local initiatives. The commemoration is a system-wide event, with several agencies also marking the anniversaries of their own founding.
- Every major UN Conference scheduled for 1995, including the March 1995 World Summit on Social Development in Copenhagen and the September 1995 World Conference on Women in Beijing.
- United Nations Associations, through their activities in 87 countries, focusing their schedule of events on UN50.
- Non-governmental organizations, vital links between the UN and its world-wide constituencies, playing an essential role to ensure that this commemoration is broad-based and popular.
- Parliamentarian groups, such as the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Parliamentarians for Global Action and the Global Committee of Parliamentarians on Population and Development, organizing programmes to generate greater knowledge of and support for the United Nations among national legislators.
- The business community, contributing resources, expertise and creativity as a new partner in the effort to support the commemoration.
- The academic world, preparing conferences, debates and symposia on the UN.
- The cultural world, celebrating with music, art and drama.
- People in all countries, in all walks of life, in religious, civic and other organizations, encouraged to observe this Anniversary in their own way.

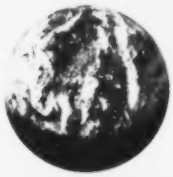
Funding

Fiftieth Anniversary programmes and events are not funded from UN regular budget sources. A Trust Fund for the 50th Anniversary has been created to receive donations from corporations, foundations, individuals and Governments. Many programmes and events are being underwritten by Governments and non-governmental organizations.

Join us

People from every corner of the world are becoming part of the year-long anniversary celebrations. There are many ways to participate. Contact your UNA or National Committee with your ideas.

UN50 Global Programme



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THE UN50 SECRETARIAT guides and supports the collective efforts of the UN system, the UNAs, the UN50 National Committees and the NGOs. It serves as coordinator and catalyst for the thousands of programmes, projects and events around the world that will mark the Organization's first half-century.

In addition, the UN50 Secretariat has taken on projects of global scope in keeping with the stated goals of commemoration, education, communication, and celebration. They are designed to deepen understanding, convey a more balanced image, strengthen public awareness and support and enlarge the UN constituency.

Educational focus

UN50 is placing emphasis on school and university programmes and materials for children and youth. Through seminars and symposia, studies and articles in academic journals, universities around the world plan to focus on the United Nations not only in its historical context but also in terms of suggesting ideas for its future. That kind of examination and reflection serves as a serious and scholarly framework for the commemoration.

The materials include publications, audio and visual materials, computer software, maps, flags and games. These projects include:

Global teach-in. UN50, working with UNAs, UNESCO, educational associations and others, is developing curricular materials in various languages for distribution to schools in early 1995 to assist in this effort for a global teach-in. In addition, special training programmes for teachers are being arranged by UN Associations and National Committees for the Fiftieth Anniversary in cooperation with professional educators' associations, academic institutions and other local organizations to better equip teachers to conduct classes on the United Nations.

Supplementary educational materials. In support of the global teach-in, supplementary educational materials are being developed in a variety of languages and will be in distribution by the spring of 1995. In addition, there are plans by several countries to introduce national curricular materials on the United Nations in connection with the fiftieth anniversary.

Sesame Street. Children' Television Workshop is creating special episodes of Sesame Street, UN 50th Birthday, to air the week of 24 October 1995 to reach the preschool audience. Sesame Street will also offer a print campaign, international distribution of the programme (86 countries and 15 languages) as well as possible events at the United Nations with Sesame Street characters such as the Big Bird.

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Global citizen. As part of the special effort which will be made during the anniversary year to engage the interest and support of children, a global citizen certificate will be issued which children may obtain by mail or telephone. Children will pledge to improve the global community, beginning with their own local communities. This project will be widely publicized in their own communities and in all youth-oriented anniversary activities. The project is intended to continue past 1995 with the support of United Nations Associations.

Communication

UN50 is undertaking a world-wide campaign to convey UN activities, success stories and aspirations through public service announcements, advertisements, posters and billboards. The UN50 Secretariat is cooperating with news organizations from different parts of the world for TV and radio documentaries, special features, profiles, magazine inserts and other projects focusing on UN success stories, current challenges and future plans. There is growing recognition that UN50 not only provides rich material for news stories, but also presents opportunities to deepen the debate on the most urgent issues confronting the world today.

Video Campaign. Top commercial directors, writers and art directors from every region of the world are producing a series of public service announcements to promote a positive image of the United Nations and generate public support for our common goals. The videos will be presented internationally on television and through alternate distribution, including movie theatres, schools and airlines.

Radio Campaign. A world-wide education campaign for radio and print to communicate the need for the United Nations as the multinational organization dealing with issues which transcend national boundaries: poverty, hunger, disease, drug abuse and many others.

Internet and CD-ROM Interactive. Information about the United Nations and the 50th Anniversary is already available on Internet and other commercial and non-commercial databases and bulletin boards. Also being planned is a CD-ROM interactive compilation of information, video, stories and learning materials about the work of the United Nations.

UN Global Programme (continued)
Highlights:

Film, Television, Publications

"*Under the Blue Flag*". Four-part documentary which will examine UN work across the spectrum, comparing perspectives from Headquarters and the field and examining solutions to global issues. This joint UK/Swedish series will be distributed through the One World Group, a global consortium of public broadcasters including many from the developing world.

"*The Right To Hope*". Series of fifty ten minute television programmes featuring the work of different artists. The series unites issues of conservation, sustainable development and cultural diversity. These short subjects are being produced by members of the One World Group of public broadcasters. The series will be broadcast weekly Fall 1994 through Fall 1995, leading into a travelling International Earth Art Exhibit which will contain some of the works included in the television series. The exhibition project is being planned with support from UNESCO.

"*People*". An animated television special adapted from the critically acclaimed children's book by Peter Spier. This one-hour special explores cultural diversity through animation and music. With animation produced in Moscow and original songs featuring celebrity vocalists, the show will be viewed worldwide in syndication.

All-Star Popular Music Gala. A two-hour television special to be broadcast throughout the world during the week of October 24, 1995. The programme will be comprised of portions of performances from specially-staged concerts at four sites. At each concert, several internationally-known singers will perform, supplemented by a variety of regional performers. The special will also contain UN messages in the form of dramatic readings and documentary segments.

"*Global Youth*". A feature film by Swedish film director Staffan Hildebrand depicting youth culture worldwide with an accent on music. Through their own compositions, young musicians will address important global issues and personal concerns. The film will be shot in 15 cities around the world.

"*A Vision of Hope*". An illustrated magazine format souvenir publication of 300 pages appealing to the general reader. Regency Press will coordinate preparation of English, French and Spanish language editions and will co-produce editions in other languages.

"*A Global Affair: An Inside Look at the UN and Its History*". Pictorial sections, anecdotes, cartoons, and essays by journalists who have covered the UN during the past fifty years. Designed for the general reader, the book will cover the unique nature of both the United Nations and those who have it.

"*Children's History of the United Nations*" written, illustrated, designed and edited by an extensive network of young people from around the globe with the input of children from up to 100 countries. Available in the six official UN languages and others languages, coordinated by Peace Child International.

"*Pictorial Chronology of the United Nations*". 400 archival photographs, each with a brief caption explaining significant events in UN history and its work in the field over the years.

"*Fifty Wishes for a Better World*". Book by Jim Henson Productions, Inc. (creators of The Muppets). A collection of fifty wishes, written and illustrated, of children ages 8-11 from around the world who will voice their concerns about the world and their future. It will underscore the United Nation's commitment to these concerns and will be translated into many languages.

Exhibits, Concerts, Shows, Coins, Stamps

Travelling Exhibit. An easily-assembled, travelling exhibit is being developed to reach audiences away from United Nations sites. Through video and computer technology, it will be an engaging exhibit employing a hands-on approach to learning about issues facing the United Nations. Versions will be available for indoor and outdoor use in different support environments.

Dialogues of Peace. A major Anniversary art exhibit will be held in Geneva at the Palais des Nations and Ariana Park from 3 July to 24 October 1995. It will be organized by the Assoication Francaise d'Action Artistique (AFAA) featuring contemporary artists whose background and work reflect a marriage of diverse cultures and a link to UN goals and themes.

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra UN50 World Tour. The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra will tour 50 cities around the world conducted by Vladimir Ashkenazy.

Geneva Concert. A special gala concert will be presented in Geneva, on 5 July 1995 by musicians from around the world led by Sir Georg Solti for an invited audience that will include the Secretary-General. Plans are being made for the concert to be viewed by the public at locations around Geneva and to be broadcast internationally.

(More than 100 other concerts are planned around the world in salute to UN50.)

"*Arts and Visions*" International Auction. Organized by the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) with the endorsement of the United Nations, the auction will be conducted by Christie Manson & Woods in support of the UN50 commemoration. The auction will feature major art works, cultural items, jewelry and special lots reflecting the diversity of cultures in the world and will raise money for UN and WFUNA educational and communications projects. All lots will be donated: approximately 100 items will be included, with 50 offered at live auction.

Design 21. Will feature multi-cultural designs of lines of clothing from young designers worldwide. An international show will be held in Paris in the spring of 1996. The show will be the outcome of an international selection among young designers worldwide. Videotapes of the show, coverage in major publications, and programme brochures will help publicize the events and serve as communications vehicles for key UN messages for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the UN (1995) and UNESCO (1996) respectively.

Commemorative Coin Programme. Many Member States are expected to issue legal tender coins bearing the UN50 emblem. The coins will be used in general circulation to raise public awareness of the UN and will also be sold to collectors. While national mints will produce their own coins, publicity and international marketing will be coordinated by the British Royal Mint.

Commemorative Stamp Programme. Almost every postal administration is planning to issue commemorative stamps of their own design honouring the Fiftieth Anniversary. A programme is being developed by the UN50 Secretariat, with advice from the United Nations Postal Administration, to organize a first day cover programme using these stamps.

Information Materials on UN50

A WIDE RANGE of public information materials on various issues related to the Fiftieth Anniversary is being prepared by the UN50 Secretariat and the Department of Public Information for use by the news media, non-governmental organizations and the public at large.

Audio and Video recordings

- Audio compilations on United Nations history and work, including unique audio records of major international crises and peace-keeping efforts, as well as soundbites from the Secretaries-General.

- An "Oral History" collection of 98 sixty-minute cassette tapes and 51 corresponding transcripts is available at the Dag Hammarskjold Library at UN Headquarters in New York, to researchers and the media. Interested users are provided with listening and recording equipment.

- Video compilations on the history of the Organization and the issues before the UN:

  The UN Headquarters package
  Profiles of the Secretaries-General

  Historical:
  San Francisco Conference and the Signing of the UN Charter
  The building of the UN Headquarters:
  First Session of the General Assembly, London 1946
  Overview of 50 years of the UN (in preparation)

  Thematic:
  Refugees (in preparation)
  Peace-keeping (in preparation)
  Environment (in preparation)

- Anniversary-related items will be featured in regular video productions of the Department of Public Information:

  UN In Action–
  A weekly 3-4-minute programme in Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish;

  World Chronicle–
  A weekly 30-minute panel discussion programme with a UN official or expert;

  UN Wrap-up–
  An annual 15-minute production on major events of the year, in six official languages.

Inquiries and orders should be addressed to DPI, Audio/Visual Production Library, Room CB-77B, New York, N.Y. 10017; Fax: (212) 963-1658, or 963-3860.

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Public service announcements (PSAs)

- A series of one-minute radio public service announcements (PSAs) in the six official languages of the United Nations should be available for distribution by early 1995.

- A series of videos, ranging in length from 30 seconds to one minute, will be available in the six official languages and an open audio channel in all major video formats. They will be ready for distribution in early 1995.

Audio and video PSAs will be available through the Fiftieth Anniversary Secretariat.

Photo

- Sets of photographs and slides on major events in UN history for use by the media, NGOs and researchers is being prepared by the DPI Photo Section. Requests should be addressed to DPI, Photo Librarian Room, S-805L; tel. (212) 963-0034; fax: (212) 963-4658.

Print

For your reference—a selected list of documents:

GA Decision 46/472
13 April, 1992
The General Assembly establishes the Preparatory Committee for the Fiftieth Anniversary

A/47/48
3 December, 1992
First report of the Preparatory Committee for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations.

A/48/48
17 September, 1993
Second report of the Preparatory Committee.

GA Decision 48/406
19 October 1993
The General Assembly approves an overall theme for the Anniversary and establishes a drafting group to prepare a declaration.

Resolution 48/6
19 October, 1993
The General Assembly decides to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration
of the Four Nations on General Security of 30 October 1943.

Resolution 48/215A
23 December 1993
The General Assembly acts on administrative matters related to the coordination of anniversary activities and support for the Preparatory Committee.

Resolution 48/215B
26 May 1994
The General Assembly decides to convene a special commemorative meeting from 22 to 24 October 1995 at the level of head of State or Government.

Information Materials on UN50 (Continued)

For further reading: a selected list of publications on the UN

Charter of the United Nations and Statute of the International Court of Justice (87 pages) (DPI/511)

An Agenda for Peace: Preventive Diplomacy, Peacemaking and Peace-keeping (53 pages) (DPI/1247)

Blue Helmets, The: A Review of United Nations Peace-keeping Forces (449 pages) (E.90.I.18)

Report of the Secretary-General on the Work of the Organization 1993 (197 pages) (DPI/1420)

Basic Facts About the United Nations (290 pages) (E.93.I.2)

Everyone's United Nations (E.94.I.2(Z))

Image and Reality—Questions and Answers about the United Nations – How it Works and Who Pays for It (104 pages) (E.DPI/1288)

Your United Nations: The Official Guide Book (89 pages) (E.87.I.10S)

Books in Print of the United Nations System, First Edition (721 pages) (E.GV.92.0.18)

Directory of United Nations Documentary and Archival Sources (106 pages) (E.91.I.14)

Notes for Speakers (83 pages) (DPI/1237)

The United Nations at 50: Recognizing the Achievements

THE UNITED NATIONS was established in the aftermath of a devastating war to help stabilize international relations and give peace a more secure foundation.

Amid the threat of nuclear war and seemingly endless regional conflicts, peace-keeping has become an overriding concern of the United Nations. In the process, the activities of blue-helmeted peacekeeprs have emerged as the most visible role associated with the world organization.

The United Nations, however, is much more than a peacekeeper and forum for conflict resolution. Often without attracting attention, the United Nations and its family of agencies are engaged in a vast array of work that touches every aspect of people's lives around the world.

Child survival and development. Environmental protection. Human rights. Health and medical research. Alleviation of poverty and economic development. Agricultural development and fisheries. Education. Family planning. Emergency and disaster relief. Air and sea travel. Peaceful uses of atomic energy. Labour and workers' rights. The list goes on.

Here, in brief, is a sampling of what the United Nations organizations have accomplished since 1945 when the world organization was founded.

1. **Maintaining peace and security**–By deploying more than 35 peacekeeping forces and observer missions, the United Nations has been able to restore calm to allow the negotiating process to go forward while saving millions of people from becoming casualties of conflicts. There are presently 16 active peacekeeping forces in operation.

2. **Making peace**–Since 1945, the United Nations has been credited with negotiating 172 peaceful settlements that have ended regional conflicts. Recent cases include an end to the Iran-Iraq war, the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan, and an end to the civil war in El Salvador. The United Nations has used quiet diplomacy to avert over 80 imminent wars.

3. **Promoting democracy**–The United Nations has enabled people in over 45 countries to participate in free and fair elections, including those held in Cambodia, Namibia, El Salvador, Eritrea, Mozambique, Nicaragua and South Africa. It has provided electoral advice, assistance, and monitoring of results.

4. **Promoting development**–The UN system has devoted more attention and resources to the promotion of the development of human skills and potentials than any other external assistance effort. The systems' annual disbursements, including loans and grants, amount to more than $10 billion. The UN Development Programme (UNDP), in close cooperation with over 170 Member States and other UN agencies, designs and implements pro-

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jects for agriculture, industry, education, and the environment. It supports more than 5,000 projects with a budget of $1.3 billion. It is the largest multilateral source of grant development assistance. The World Bank, at the forefront in mobilizing support for developing countries worldwide, has alone loaned $333 billion for development projects since 1946. In addition, UNICEF spends more than $800 million a year primarily on immunization, health care, nutrition and basic education in 138 countries.

5. **Promoting human rights**–Since adopting the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948, the United Nations has helped enact more than 80 comprehensive agreements on political, civil, economic, social and cultural rights. By investigating individual complaints of human rights abuses, the UN Human Rights Commission has focused world attention on cases of torture, disappearance, and arbitrary detention and has generated international pressure to be brought on governments to improve their human rights records.

6. **Protecting the environment**–The United Nations has played a vital role in fashioning a global programme designed to protect the environment. The "Earth Summit," the UN Conference on Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, resulted in treaties on bio-diversity and climate change, and all countries adopted "Agenda 21" — a blueprint to promote sustainable development or the concept of economic growth while protecting natural resources.

7. **Preventing nuclear proliferation**–The United Nations, through the International Atomic Energy Agency, has helped minimize the threat of a nuclear war by inspecting nuclear reactors in 90 countries to ensure that nuclear materials are not diverted for military purposes.

8. **Promoting self-determination and independence**–The United Nations has played a pivotal role in bringing about independence in 80 countries that are now among its Member States.

9. **Strengthening international law**–Over 300 international treaties, on topics as varied as human rights conventions to agreements on the use of outer space and seabed, have been enacted through the efforts of the United Nations.

10. **Handing down judicial settlements of major international disputes**–By giving judgments and advisory opinions, the International Court of Justice has helped settle international disputes involving territorial issues, non-interference in the internal affairs of states, diplomatic relations, hostage-taking, the right of asylum, rights of passage and economic rights.

11. **Ending apartheid in South Africa**–By imposing measures ranging from an arms embargo to a convention against segregated sporting events, the United Nations was a major factor in bringing about the downfall of the apartheid system, which the General Assembly called "a crime against humanity." Elections were held in April 1994 in which all South Africans were allowed to participate on an equal basis, followed by the establishment of a majority government.

12. **Providing humanitarian aid to victims of conflict**–More than 30 million refugees fleeing war, famine or persecution have received aid from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees since 1951 in a continuing effort coordinated by the United Nations that often involves other agencies. There are more than 19 million refugees, primarily women and children, who are receiving food, shelter, medical aid, education and repatriation assistance.

13. **Aiding Palestinian refugees**–Since 1950, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) has sustained four generations of Palestinians with free schooling, essential health care, relief assistance and key social services virtually without interruption. There are 2.9 million refugees in the Middle East served by UNRWA.

14. Alleviating chronic hunger and rural poverty in developing countries–The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) has developed a system of providing credit, often in very small amounts, for the poorest and most marginalised groups that has benefitted over 230 million people in nearly 100 developing countries.

15. Focusing on African development–For the United Nations, Africa continues to be the highest priority. In 1986, the United Nations convened a special session to drum up international support for African economic recovery and development. The United Nations also has instituted a system-wide task force to ensure that commitments made by the international community are honoured and challenges met. The Africa Project Development Facility has helped entrepreneurs in 25 countries to find financing for new enterprises. The Facility has completed 130 projects which represent investments of $233 million and the creation of 13,000 new jobs. It is expected that these new enterprises will either earn or save some $131 million in foreign exchange annually.

16. Promoting women's rights–A long term objective of the United Nations has been to improve the lives of women and to empower women to have greater control over their lives. Several conferences during the UN-sponsored International Women's Decade set an agenda for the advancement of women and women's rights for the rest of the century. The UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) have supported programmes and projects to improve the quality of life for women in over 100 countries. They include credit and training, access to new food-production technologies and marketing opportunities, and other means of promoting women's work.

17. Providing safe drinking water–UN agencies have worked to make safe drinking water available to 1.3 billion people in rural areas during the last decade.

18. Eradicating smallpox–A 13-year effort by the World Health Organization resulted in the complete eradication of smallpox from the planet in 1980. The eradication has saved an estimated $1 billion a year in vaccination and monitoring, almost three times the cost of eliminating the scourge itself. WHO also helped wipe out polio from the Western hemisphere, with global eradication expected by the year 2000.

19. Pressing for universal immunization–Polio, tetanus, measles, whooping cough, diphtheria and tuberculosis still kill more than eight million children each year. In 1974, only 5 percent of children in developing countries were immunized against these diseases. Today, as a result of the efforts of UNICEF and WHO, there is an 80 percent immunization rate, saving the lives of more than 3 million children each year.

20. Reducing child mortality rates–Through oral rehydration therapy, water and sanitation and other health and nutrition measures undertaken by UN agencies, child mortality rates in the developing countries have been halved since 1960, increasing the average life expectancy from 37 to 67 years.

21. Fighting parasitic diseases–Efforts by UN agencies in North Africa to eliminate the dreaded screw worm, a parasite that feeds on human and animal flesh, prevented the spread of the parasite, which is carried by flies, to Egypt, Tunisia, sub-Saharan Africa and Europe. A WHO programme also has saved the lives of 7 million children from going blind from the river blindness and rescued many others from guinea worm and other tropical diseases.

22. **Promoting investment in developing countries–**The United Nations, through the efforts the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) has served as a "match-maker" for North-South, south-South and East-West investment, promoting entrepreneurship and self-reliance, industrial cooperation and technology transfer and cost-effective, ecologically-sensitive industry.

23. **Orienting economic policy toward social need–**Many UN agencies have emphasized the need to take account of human needs in determining economic adjustment and restructuring policies and programmes, including measures to safeguard the poor, especially in areas of health and education, and "debt swaps for children."

24. **Reducing the effects of natural disasters–**The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has spared millions of people from the calamitous effects of both natural and man-made disasters. Its early warning system, which utilizes thousands of surface monitors as well as satellites, has provided information for the dispersal of oil spills and has predicted long-term droughts. The system has allowed for the efficient distribution of food aid to drought regions, such as southern Africa in 1992.

25. **Providing food to victims of emergencies–**Over two million tons of food are distributed each year by the World Food Programme (WFP). Nearly 30 million people facing acute food shortages in 36 countries benefited from this assistance in 1994.

26. **Clearing land mines–**The United Nations is leading an international effort to clear land mines from former battlefields in Afghanistan, Angola, Cambodia, El Salvador, Mozambique, Rwanda and Somalia that still kill and maim thousands of innocent people every year.

27. **Protecting the ozone layer–**The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) have been instrumental in highlighting the damage caused to the earth's ozone layer. As a result of a treaty, known as the Montreal Protocol, there has been a global effort to reduce chemical emissions of substances that have caused the depletion of the ozone layer. The effort will spare millions of people from the increased risk of contracting cancer due to additional exposure to ultraviolet radiation.

28. **Curbing global warming–**Through the Global Environment Facility, countries have contributed substantial resources to curb conditions that cause global warming. Increasing emissions from burning fossil fuels and changes in land use patterns have led to a build-up of gases in the atmosphere, which experts believe can lead to a warming of the Earth's temperature.

29. **Preventing over-fishing–**The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) monitors marine fishery production and issues alerts to prevent damage due to over-fishing.

30. **Limiting deforestation and promoting sustainable forestry development–**FAO, UNDP and the World Bank, through a Tropical Forests Action Programme, have formulated and carried out forestry actions plans in 90 countries.

31. **Cleaning up pollution–**UNEP led a major effort to clean up the Mediterranean Sea. It encouraged adversaries such as Syria and Israel, and Turkey and Greece to work together to clean up beaches. As a result, more than 50 percent of the previously polluted beaches are now usable.

32. **Protecting consumers' health–**To ensure the safety of food sold in the market place, UN agencies have established standards for over 200 food commodities and safety limits for more than 3,000 food contaminants.

33. **Reducing fertility rates**–The UN Population Fund (UNFPA), through its family planning programs, has enabled people to make informed choices, and consequently given families, and especially women, greater control over their lives. As a result, women in developing countries are having fewer children — from six births per woman in the 1960s to 3.5 today. In the 1960s, only 10 percent of the world's families were using effective methods of family planning. The number now stands at 55 percent.

34. **Fighting drug abuse**–The UN International Drugs Control Programme (UNDCP) has worked to reduce demand for illicit drugs, suppress drug trafficking, and has helped farmers to reduce their economic reliance on growing narcotic crops by shifting farm production toward other dependable sources of income.

35. **Improving global trade relations**–The UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) has worked to obtain special trade preferences for developing countries to export their products to developed countries. It has also negotiated international commodities agreements to ensure fair prices for developing countries. And through the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which has now been supplanted by the World Trade Organization (WTO), the United Nations has supported trade liberalization, that will increase economic development opportunities in developing countries.

36. **Promoting economic reform**–Together with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, the United Nation has helped many countries improve their economic management, offered training for government finance officials, and provided financial assistance to countries experiencing temporary balance of payment difficulties.

37. **Promoting worker rights**–The International Labour Organization (ILO) has worked to guarantee freedom of the right to association, the right to organize, collective bargaining, the rights of indigenous and tribal peoples, promote employment and equal remuneration and has sought to eliminate discrimination and child labour. And by setting safety standards, ILO has helped reduce the toll of work-related accidents.

38. **Introducing improved agricultural techniques and reducing costs**–With assistance from the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) that has resulted in improved crop yields, Asian rice farmers have saved $12 million on pesticides and governments over $150 million a year in pesticide subsidies.

39. **Promoting stability and order in the world's oceans**–Through three international conferences, the third lasting more than nine years, the United Nations has spearheaded an international effort to promote a comprehensive global agreement for the protection, preservation and peaceful development of the oceans. The UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, which came into force in 1994, lays down rules for the determination of national maritime jurisdiction, navigation on the high seas, rights and duties of coastal and other states, obligation to protect and preserve the marine environment, cooperation in the conduct of marine scientific research and preservation of living resources.

40 **Improving air and sea travel**–UN agencies have been responsible for setting safety standards for sea and air travel. The efforts of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) have contributed to making air travel the safest mode of transportation. To wit: In 1947, when nine million travelled, 590 were killed in aircraft accidents; in 1993 the number of deaths was 936 out of the 1.2 billion airline passengers. Over the last two decades, pollution from tankers has been reduced by as much as 60 percent thanks to the work of the International Maritime Organization (IMO).

41. **Protecting intellectual property**–The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) provides protection for new inventions and maintains a register of nearly 3 million national trademarks. Through treaties, it also protects the works of artists, composers and authors worldwide. WIPO's work makes it easier and less costly for individuals and enterprises to enforce their property rights. It also broadens the opportunity to distribute new ideas and products without relinquishing control over the property rights.

42. **Promoting the free flow of information**–To allow all people to obtain information that is free of censorship and culturally unbiased, UNESCO has provided aid to develop and strengthen communication systems, established news agencies and supported an independent press.

43. **Improving global communications**–The Universal Postal Union (UPU) has maintained and regulated international mail delivery. The International Telecommunications Union (ITU) has coordinated use of the radio spectrum, promoted cooperation in assigning positions for stationary satellites, and established international standards for communications, thereby ensuring the unfettered flow of information around the globe.

44. **Empowering the voiceless**–UN-sponsored international years and conferences have caused governments to recognize the needs and contributions of groups usually excluded from decision-making, such as the aging, children, youth, homeless, and disabled people.

45. **Establishing "children as a zone of peace"**–From El Salvador to Lebanon, Sudan to former Yugoslavia, UNICEF pioneered the establishment of "Days of Tranquility" and the opening of "Corridors of Peace" to provide vaccines and other assistance desperately needed by children caught in armed conflict.

46. **Generating worldwide commitment in support of the needs of children**–Through UNICEF's efforts, the Convention on the Rights of the Child entered into force as international law in 1990 and has become law in 166 countries by the end September 1994; following the 1990 World Summit for Children convened by UNICEF, more than 150 governments have committed to reaching over 20 specific measurable goals to radically improve children's lives by the year 2000.

47. **Improving education in developing countries**–As a direct result of the efforts of UN agencies, over 60% of adults in developing can now read and write, and 80 percent of children in these countries attend school.

48. **Improving literacy for women**–Programmes aimed at promoting education and advancement for women helped raise the female literacy rate in developing countries from 36 percent in 1970 to 56 percent in 1990.

49. **Safeguarding and preserving historic cultural and architectural sites**–Ancient monuments in 81 countries including Greece, Egypt, Italy, Indonesia and Cambodia, have been protected through the efforts of UNESCO, and international conventions have been adopted to preserve cultural property.

50. **Facilitating academic and cultural exchanges**–The United Nations, through UNESCO and the United Nations University (UNU), have encouraged scholarly and scientific cooperation, networking of institutions and promotion of cultural expressions, including those of minorities and indigenous people.

The United Nations at 50: Recognizing the Achievements–*The Nobel Peace Prize*

The Nobel Peace Prize has been awarded five times to the United Naitons and its organizations

1954 Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Geneva, for its assistance to European refugees

1965 United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), for its work in helping save the lives of the world's children

1969 International Labour Organisation (ILO), Geneva, for its progress in establishing workers rights and protections

1981 Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Geneva, for its assistance to Asian refugees

1988 United Nations Peacekeeping Forces, for its peacekeeping operations

The Prize was also awarded to:

1945 Cordel Hull, U.S., ex-Secretary of State, for his leadership in establishing the UN

1949 Lord John Boyd Orr, United Kingdom, first director-General of the Food and Agricultural Organization

1950 Ralph Bunche, U.S., UN Mediator in Palestine (1948), for his leadership in the armistice agreements signed in 1949 by Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria

1957 Lester Pearson, Canada, ex-Secretary of State, President 7th Session of the UN General Assembly, for a lifetime of work for peace and for leading UN efforts to resolve the Suez Canal Crisis

1961 Dag Hammarskjold, Sweden, Secretary-General of the UN, for his work in helping settle the Congo crisis

1974 Sean Macbride, Ireland, UN commissioner for Namibia

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How It All Began: A Chronology

Inter-Allied Declaration
Signed in London on 12 June 1941, the Inter-Allied Declaration "to work together, with other free peoples, both in war and peace" was the first of a series of steps which led to the establishment of the United Nations.

Atlantic Charter
On 14 August 1941, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt of the United States and Prime Minister Winston Churchill of the United Kingdom proposed a set of principles for international collaboration in maintaining peace and security. The document, signed during a meeting "somewhere at sea", came to be known as the Atlantic Charter.

Declaration by United Nations
On 1 January 1942, the representatives of 26 nations that were fighting against the Axis proclaimed their support for the Atlantic Charter by signing the "Declaration by United Nations". This document marked the first official use of the term "United Nations", which was suggested by President Roosevelt.

Moscow and Teheran Conferences
In a declaration signed in Moscow on 30 October 1943, the Governments of the USSR, UK, US and China called for an early establishment of an international organization to maintain peace and security. That goal was reaffirmed at the meeting of the leaders of the US, USSR and UK at Teheran on 1 December 1943.

Dumbarton Oaks Conference
The first blueprint of the UN was prepared at a conference held at a mansion known as Dumbarton Oaks in Washington, D.C. During two phases of meetings which ran from 21 September through 7 October 1944, the representatives of the USSR, UK, US and China agreed on the aims, structure and functioning of a world organization.

Yalta Conference
On 11 February 1945, following their meetings at Yalta, President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin declared their resolve to establish "a general international organization to maintain peace and security".

San Francisco Conference
On 25 April 1945, delegates of 50 nations met in San Francisco for the conference known officially as the United Nations Conference on International Organization. The delegates drew up the 111-Article Charter which was adopted unanimously on 25 June 1945. The next day they signed it in the auditorium of the Veterans' Memorial Hall.

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Milestones in History

The Milestones

24 October 1945
United Nations is created as its Charter is ratified by the five permanent members of the Security Council and the majority of other signatories and comes into force.

10 January 1946
First General Assembly, with full membership of 51 nations represented, opens in Central Hall, Westminster, London

17 January 1946
Security Council meets for the first time in Westminster, London, adopting its rules of procedure.

24 January 1946
General Assembly adopts its first resolution. Its main focus: peaceful uses of atomic energy and the elimination of atomic and other weapons of mass destruction.

1 February 1946
Trygve Lie of Norway becomes first Secretary-General

June 1948
First UN observer mission established in Palestine, the UN Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO).

10 December 1948
General Assembly adopts Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

7 January 1949
A UN envoy, Dr. Ralph Bunche, secures cease-fire between the new state of Israel and Arab states.

24 October 1949
Cornerstone laid for present UN Headquarters in New York City.

27 June 1950
Security Council, acting in the absence of the Soviet Union, calls on Member States to help southern part of Korea repel invasion from the north.

27 July 1953
Korean Armistice Agreement is signed by the UN Command and the Chinese-North Korean Command.

6 November 1956
First Emergency Special Session of the General Assembly meets on the Suez Canal crisis, establishing the first UN peace-keeping force, the UN Emergency Force (UNEF).

September 1960
17 newly independent states, 16 of them African, join the United Nations, the biggest increase in membership in any one year.

18 September 1961
Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold dies in an air crash while on mission to Congo

7 August 1963
Security Council votes voluntary arms embargo against South Africa.

4 March 1964

Security Council approves dispatch of peacekeeping force to Cyprus.

27 October 1966

General Assembly strips South Africa of its mandate to govern South-West Africa (Namibia)

16 December 1966

Mandatory sanctions are imposed against Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) by the Security Council.

23 November 1967

After the Six-Day War, the Security Council adopts resolution 242, the basis for future negotiations aimed at achieving peace in the Middle East.

12 June 1968

General Assembly approves Treaty on Nonproliferation of Nuclear Weapons and calls for ratification.

13 March 1969

Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination comes into force.

25 October 1971

General Assembly seats representatives of the People's Republic of China.

June 1972

First UN Environment Conference is held in Stockholm, leading to the establishment of the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) headquartered in Nairobi.

13 November 1974

General Assembly recognizes the Palestine Liberation Organization as "the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people."

June-July 1975

International Women's Year is marked by conference in Mexico City.

4 November 1977

Security Council adopts mandatory arms embargo against South Africa.

May-June 1978

General Assembly convenes special session, for the first time on disarmament.

18 December 1979

General Assembly adopts a Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, covering political, economic, social, cultural and civic values.

8 May 1980

Three years after the last case was reported, World Health Organization officially declares smallpox eradicated.

25 November 1981

General Assmbly adopts Declaration on Elimination of All forms of Intolerance and Discrimination Based on Religion or Belief.

10 December 1982

New United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea is signed by 117 States and two entities, the largest number of signatures ever affixed to a treaty on its first day.

Milestones in History (continued)

December 1984

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar sets up Office for Emergency Operations in Africa to help coordinate famine relief efforts.

10 December 1984

General Assembly adopts a Convention Against Torture.

July 1985

Thousands meet in Nairobi for closing conference on UN Decade for Women

September 1987

Efforts of UN Environment Programme (UNEP) lead to the signing of a Treaty on the Protection of the Ozone Layer, known as the Montreal Protocol, the first global environment protection agreement.

April 1989

UN Transition Assistance Group (UNTAG) is deployed throughout Namibia to monitor South Africa's withdrawal and provide electoral assistance; Namibia becomes an independent country four months later.

2 September 1990

Convention on the Rights of the Child comes into force.

30 September 1990

UNICEF convenes World Summit for Children with 71 heads of state/government which adopts Plan of Action.

31 May 1991

A cease-fire in the 16-year civil war in Angola is negotiated, then administered by UN Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM).

31 Dember 1991

Agreement signed at UN Headquarters through the good offices of the Secretary-General between the Government of El Salvador and FMLN (national liberation front) leads to a cease-fire and peace accord after a 10-year war.

31 January 1992

Security Council holds its first ever meeting at the level of heads of state and government.

June 1992

The UN Conference on Environment and Development, the "Earth Summit", is held in Rio de Janeiro attended by 104 heads of state or government and other leaders, the largest intergovernmental gathering in history, resulting in Agenda 21, a plan of action for sustainable development.

17 June 1992

Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali issues "An Agenda for Peace" on preventive diplomacy, peacemaking, peace-keeping and peace-building.

May 1993

The United Nations Observer Mission to Verify the Referendum in Eritrea contributes to the declaration of Eritrean independence and the country's admission to the United Nations.

UN-supervised elections in Cambodia lead to the drafting of a new constitution and the establishment of the new government, ending nearly 15 years of strife in the war-torn country.

June 1993

World Conference on Human Rights is held in Vienna, during the International Year for Indigenous Peoples.

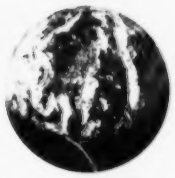
6 May 1994

In response to the request of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General produces a report on "An Agenda for Development", a blueprint for improving the human condition.

12 September 1994

The United Nations International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo adopts a landmark Programme of Action.

NGO's: Reaching Out



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AS THE WORLD COMMUNITY tackles increasingly complex global issues, partnership is a theme often sounded by the Secretary-General. And for the United Nations, one of the most important partnerships is the one it has forged with the NGO community. As the Organization seizes the opportunity provided by the Fiftieth Anniversary to not only "preach to the converted", but also to reach out to new audiences, NGOs are playing an essential role, creating a multiplier effect, allowing the United Nations to amplify and broaden its message.

NGOs have been instrumental in shaping that message—indeed, in shaping the Organization itself—since the days of the Charter Conference in San Francisco. And they continue to provide vital links between the United Nations and its worldwide constituencies, placing issues on the global agenda and sharpening the focus of the United Nations.

In the course of the coming year, NGOs are choosing to capitalize on the Fiftieth Anniversary in ways that suit their own constituencies and calendars, something the UN50 Secretariat both welcomes and encourages. Furthermore, we encourage NGOs to share their plans with us. What follows are only a few examples of types of anniversary activities communicated to us by the NGO community:

- development of training modules on major UN issues
- production of a video on the UN/NGO relationship
- the selection of 50 communities as sites for special activities related to the anniversary
- seminars and discussions on the UN at 50
- articles on "50 years at the UN"
- incorporation of UN50-related information into NGO materials for dissemination
- promotion of Model UN programmes
- essay and art competitions on the UN and global issues
- giving annual conferences of international organizations a UN50 focus
- interfaith services

NGOs are encouraged to convey their UN50 plans, in writing, to:
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National Activities: Think Globally, Act Locally

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IN AN EXTRAORDINARY SHOW of support for the United Nations as it approaches a historical milestone, its Member States are mounting diverse, nationally-coordinated activities for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary.

National-level activities, ranging from academic conferences to poetry contests and classroom work, share a common goal: to deepen the understanding of the United Nations and its activities and generate popular and political support for the world organization.

National programmes are spearheaded by the National Committees and United Nations Associations, backed by a wide array of international and non-governmental organizations as well as grass-root initiatives.

A common feature of many of the national anniversary programmes is an effort to spur public debate on UN issues and invite creative thinking about how the 50-year-old institution can be put to work to tackle the global challenges with greater effectiveness. They include a variety of conferences and symposia, in-depth studies and comprehensive reports involving politicians, diplomats and scholars.

While the diplomatic community and academia will focus on the fundamental global issues, educators are hoping to use the anniversary to stress the need for international cooperation to the younger generation—from elementary school students to college graduates. Educational projects are a staple of all national programmes, with Ministries of Education and Teachers Associations in many Member States enthusiastically joining the "Global teach-in" project developed by the UN50 Secretariat. The anniversary will also give a major boost to Model UN programmes, a classroom exercise simulating the work of various UN bodies, which are being held in an ever growing number of countries. High on popularity lists are essay and photo competitions, poster and poetry contests and debating sessions.

The anniversary is also emerging as a major story in the media. The variety and scope of special newspaper and magazine issues and supplements, TV and radio documentaries scheduled for the anniversary year, demonstrate the desire of national news organizations to look beyond headlines and instead try to cover the full dimension of UN work and examine its role in building a more peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world.

To honour the anniversary and provide a lasting memento of the historic occasion, many countries are also creating a wide range of commemorative items. Nearly a hundred Member States have already decided to issue commemorative stamps for the anniversary. Many are expected to issue legal-tender coins as part of a commemorative coin programme and donate the proceeds to support educational and communications activities about the work of the United Nations. Among other creative initiatives are laying of a UN memorial park in a capital city and naming of a popular national flower after the peace-keepers.

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A seemingly indispensable element in the UN50 observances is the active role of the artistic community: art exhibitions, popular and classical music concerts and festivals are already on the calendars in many countries. One national theatre, for instance, is planning to create a dramatic play on the UN while a musicians union in another country is writing a theme song celebrating the anniversary.

Over the past several months, the UN50 Secretariat has received communications from NGOs and UNAs, as well as civic, cultural and religious groups, informing us about their plans and putting forward ideas on how others could join the anniversary effort. Here is a sampling of the suggestions on anniversary programmes, who to involve and what issues to address, as recommended by UN50 activists from different parts of the world:

- "Join your United Nations Association. Participate in the UN50 activities through local UNA branches. Form a UN50 Committee to plan and implement activities. Enlist other citizens and municipal, state and federal officials in UN50 activities."
- "Coordinate UN50 events with other international or national anniversaries and observances focusing on global issues."
- "Recognize individuals and groups (such as peace-keepers, foreign aid workers, health professionals) who have contributed to the cause of peace, development and humanitarian assistance through the United Nations."
- "Arrange lecture series, debates and seminars on critical United Nations issues, featuring scholars, business leaders, government officials, young people, diplomats and UN staff."
- "Invite expert speakers to talk about the history and future of the UN or specific issues dealt with by the UN."
- "Convene meetings of community and government leaders and UN representatives to support the activities in your area."
- "Ask radio and TV stations, and publications of all kinds, to run public service announcements and messages highlighting UN system activities, success stories and profiles"
- "Encourage principals and teachers to include information about the United Nations in their courses either independently or as part of the Global Teach-In in October 1995."
- "Invite your local education authorities to develop a special awareness and educational programme for young people focusing on the UN and your country's role in the UN."
- "Dedicate cultural events to the UN50 Anniversary: organize an art festival, theatrical event, musical performance or historical exhibition with a United Nations theme."
- "Hold essay or poetry competitions on issues such as human rights, world peace, the environment and development, for students at different levels (primary, secondary, university)."

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22. **Promoting investment in developing countries**–The United Nations, through the efforts the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) has served as a "match-maker" for North-South, south-South and East-West investment, promoting entrepreneurship and self-reliance, industrial cooperation and technology transfer and cost-effective, ecologically-sensitive industry.

23. **Orienting economic policy toward social need**–Many UN agencies have emphasized the need to take account of human needs in determining economic adjustment and restructuring policies and programmes, including measures to safeguard the poor, especially in areas of health and education, and "debt swaps for children."

24. **Reducing the effects of natural disasters**–The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has spared millions of people from the calamitous effects of both natural and man-made disasters. Its early warning system, which utilizes thousands of surface monitors as well as satellites, has provided information for the dispersal of oil spills and has predicted long-term droughts. The system has allowed for the efficient distribution of food aid to drought regions, such as southern Africa in 1992.

25. **Providing food to victims of emergencies**–Over two million tons of food are distributed each year by the World Food Programme (WFP). Nearly 30 million people facing acute food shortages in 36 countries benefited from this assistance in 1994.

26. **Clearing land mines**–The United Nations is leading an international effort to clear land mines from former battlefields in Afghanistan, Angola, Cambodia, El Salvador, Mozambique, Rwanda and Somalia that still kill and maim thousands of innocent people every year.

27. **Protecting the ozone layer**–The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) have been instrumental in highlighting the damage caused to the earth's ozone layer. As a result of a treaty, known as the Montreal Protocol, there has been a global effort to reduce chemical emissions of substances that have caused the depletion of the ozone layer. The effort will spare millions of people from the increased risk of contracting cancer due to additional exposure to ultraviolet radiation.

28. **Curbing global warming**–Through the Global Environment Facility, countries have contributed substantial resources to curb conditions that cause global warming. Increasing emissions from burning fossil fuels and changes in land use patterns have led to a build-up of gases in the atmosphere, which experts believe can lead to a warming of the Earth's temperature.

29. **Preventing over-fishing**–The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) monitors marine fishery production and issues alerts to prevent damage due to over-fishing.

30. **Limiting deforestation and promoting sustainable forestry development**–FAO, UNDP and the World Bank, through a Tropical Forests Action Programme, have formulated and carried out forestry actions plans in 90 countries.

31. **Cleaning up pollution**–UNEP led a major effort to clean up the Mediterranean Sea. It encouraged adversaries such as Syria and Israel, and Turkey and Greece to work together to clean up beaches. As a result, more than 50 percent of the previously polluted beaches are now usable.

32. **Protecting consumers' health**–To ensure the safety of food sold in the market place, UN agencies have established standards for over 200 food commodities and safety limits for more than 3,000 food contaminants.

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Calendar of Events

Provisional list

1945—1995

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联合国五十周年纪念

Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations

Cinquantième Anniversaire de l'Organisation des Nations Unies

Пятидесятая годовщина
Организации
Объединенных Наций

Quincuagesimo Aniversario de las Naciones Unidas

23 November 1994. Ends 6 December 1994

Air Transport Conference and the 50th Anniversary of ICAO

The ICAO Secretariat is coordinating special events, the production and release of appropriate publications and audio-visuals and worldwide publicity in connection with its 50th Anniversary. The Anniversary will provide an opportunity to celebrate ICAO's role in promoting the safe and orderly development of international civil aviation and to project ICAO's role in the 21st Century. The centerpiece will be a world wide Air Transport Conference to address regulatory issues, followed on 7 December 1994 by a flag-raising and other ceremonial activities. The Anniversary will also mark the beginning of the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the United Nations system (1995).

Location: ICAO HEADQUARTERS–1000 ouest, rue Sherbrooke, Suite 327, Montreal, Quebec, H3A 2R2 CANADA

Organizer: ICAO–CANADA
Phone: (514)285-8219 Fax: (514)288-4772

27 December, 1994

50th Anniversary of IBRD and the IMF

World Bank and IMF set up in Washington 1944.

Organizer: WORLD BANK–USA
Phone: (212) 963-6008 Fax: (212) 967-7020

30 December, 1994

30th Anniversary of UNCTAD

Organizer: UNCTAD–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 917-12-34 Fax: (41)22 907-00-57

1 January, 1995

Presentation of the Report of the Commission on Global Governance

The Commission on Global Governance is producing a report, entitled "Our Global Neighborhood", focussing on the processes by which individuals and institutions manage their common affairs at the international level. This Commission is examining this question in a variety of areas, including security, institutional reform and economic management.

Organizer: THE COMMISSION ON GLOBAL GOVERNANCE–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41)22 798-2713 Fax: (41)22 798-0147

1 January, 1995. Ends 31 December, 1995

UN Charter Exhibit

Exhibit featuring original UN Charter – normally in US Archives.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

Organizer: FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY SECRETARIAT–USA
Phone: (212) 963-1995 Fax: (212) 963-9545

1 February, 1995

International Associated Schools Project Student Forum on the United Nations at 50

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 6810 00

Fiftieth Anniversary Secretariat, United Nations S–3161, New York, NY 10017. Phone: (212) 963-1995 Fax: (212) 963-4595

27 February, 1995. Ends: 28 February, 1995

Forum of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) on the Next Fifty Years

The ACC will hold a forum in conjunction with its spring session in Vienna to discuss the future of the UN system in the context of the Fiftieth Anniversary.

Location: Vienna–AUSTRIA

1 March, 1995. Ends: 5 March, 1995

Colloquium–Fédération Internationale des Associations des Personnes Agées

An annual colloquium which will focus on issues of concern to the ageing and to highlight the work of the UN and its 50th Anniversary.

Location: Nice–FRANCE

2 March, 1995. Ends: 4 March, 1995

Vienna Conference on "Peacemaking and Peacekeeping Challenges for the next Century"

Stanley Foundation–New Directions in Peacekeeping (Military Officers and Diplomats) organized by the International Peace Academy. The holding of the 25th Vienna Seminar of the International Peace Academy that would provide opportunity for a high-level, in-depth review of the United Nations peace-keeping, peace building and peace enforcement role well into the next millennium.

Location: HOFBURG PALACE–Vienna AUSTRIA
Organizer: INTERNATIONAL PEACE ACADEMY–USA
Phone: (212) 949 8480 Fax: (212) 983 8246

6 March, 1995. Ends: 12 March, 1995

World Summit for Social Development

The Summit will bring together world leaders in an effort to put social issues at the centre of the agenda of national Governments and international organizations, and identify ways of promoting the economic and social advancement of all people's.

Location: Copenhagen–DENMARK
Organizer: DPCSD–USA
Phone: (212) 963-5900 Fax: (212) 963-1010

6 March, 1995

Lions International Day at the UN

The Lions International will hold its 17th annual gathering at the UN and focus on the United Nations at Fifty.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

13 March, 1995. Ends: 17 March, 1995

Congress on Public International Law

The Congress will each day focus on one of the following topics: I) Principle of international law; II) Peaceful settlement of international disputes; III) Codification and progressive development of international law; IV) Research, education and training in the field of international law; V) New challenges and expectations for the next century. Designated speakers will address each of the topics with time allotted for general discussions.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS - New York, NY USA
Organizer: OFFICE OF LEGAL AFFAIRS–USA
Phone: (212) 963-5333

14 March, 1995

Conference on Women and the UN

The conference will look at the issue of Women and the UN in its historical context and in view of present conditions.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

Calendar of Events (continued)

15 March, 1995. Ends: 19 March, 1995

World Youth Conference: "Youth in an Interdependent World"

Celebration of the United Nations 50th Anniversary and 10th Anniversary of International Youth Year will be an opportunity to improve relations between the United Nations and youth non-governmental organizations.

Location: HOTEL PALACE - Malinska, Island Krk CROATIA
Organizer: CROATIAN CLUB FOR THE UNITED NATIONS–CROATIA
Phone: (385) 41 429-436 Fax: (385) 41 276-425

16 March, 1995. Ends: 18 March, 1995

The United Nations at Fifty: At the Threshold of a New World Order

International interdisciplinary conference examining the history, accomplishments, problems and possibilities of the UN.

Location: HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY - Hampstead, NY USA
Organizer: HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY - USA
Phone: (516) 463-5828 Fax: (516) 565-4104

20 March, 1995

Liechtenstein Initiative - Research Programme on Self-Determination

A series of research studies will explore topics related to the Liechtenstein initiative - the Effective realization of the right of self-determination through autonomy. In addition to written chapters, two conferences are planned at Princeton University during the first half of 1995. The results will be published towards the end of 1995.

Location: PRINCETON UNIVERSITY - Princeton, NJ USA

20 March, 1995

Earth Day 1995 - Ceremony at the Peace Bell

At 9:14pm (EST), Monday, 20 March, 1995, Earth Day begins. At that moment the Peace Bell at the United Nations will be rung, signaling two minutes of silent dedication by participants worldwide to act as responsible Trustees of Planet Earth

Location: PEACE BELL - United Nations, New York, NY USA
Organizer: EARTH SOCIETY FOUNDATION–USA
Phone: (212) 730-4960 Fax: (212) 730-1280

22 March, 1995. Ends: 25 March, 1995

National Model United Nations

Annual conference of college students from around the US.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS - New York, NY USA

23 March, 1995

45th Anniversary of WMO

World Meteorological Organization established 23 March 1950. World Meteorological Day.

Organizer: WMO–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 730-8232 Fax: (41) 22 730-8232

28 March, 1995. Ends: 7 April, 1995

Conference of the Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change

Location: Berlin–GERMANY

31 March, 1995

National Council of Women - USA

The National Council of Women/USA will celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the UN with a two-part programme at the UN.

Location: DAG HAMMARSKJOLD AUDITORIUM - United Nations, NY USA
Organizer: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF THE US, INC–USA
Phone: (212) 697-1278 Fax: (212) 972-0164

1 April, 1995

The American Assembly

A bi-partisan public policy forum which brings together scholars, business people, government officials, representatives from the media and labour, and others to develop policy recommendations to the United States government. Assembly programme on UN-related theme for about 60 people, the results of which will be published by W.W. Norton & Co. for wider public access and use as college-text.

Location: ARDEN HOUSE - Harriman, NY USA
Organizer: THE AMERICAN ASSEMBLY–USA
Phone: (212) 870-3500 Fax: (212) 870-3555

1 April, 1995. Ends: 7 April, 1995

8th European Scout & Guide Conference & 15th European Scout Conference

The Boy Scouts will be focusing on the United Nations Fiftieth Anniversary throughout the year in their conferences and regional meetings.

Location: Salzburg–AUSTRIA
Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

1 April, 1995

Presentation of "The UN In its 2nd Hall-Century" Study

A seminal study by a 12-member Independent Working Group on the Future of the United Nations that will analyze the challenges facing the Organization and develop fresh ideas about the role and functioning of the UN in the years ahead. Initiated by the UN, this major scholarly contribution by Yale University is underwritten by a grant from the Ford Foundation.

3 April, 1995. Ends: 21 April, 1995

Commission on Sustainable Development

Location: New York, NY USA
Organizer: DPCSD–USA
Phone: (212) 963-5900 Fax: (212) 963-1010

6 April, 1995

American Forum for Global Education

Annual Conference commemorating the UN's 50th Anniversary and Global Education Associates 25th.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS - New York, NY USA

7 April, 1995

American Society for International Law (ASIL)

The American Society for International Law (ASIL) intends to hold a portion of its 1995 conference at the United Nations.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS - New York, NY USA
Organizer: AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW–USA
Phone: (202) 265-4313 Fax: (202) 797-7133

7 April, 1995

World Health Day

World Health Day - devoted to polio eradication and the need to maintain universal vaccination coverage - a theme of major appeal and universal importance.

Calendar of Events (continued)

9 April, 1995. Ends: 24 October, 1995

UN Colloquium Series–Hunter College (City University of New York) and New York University

Proposal for a colloquium series to commemorate UN50, focusing on the Organization's history, new agenda, future prospects and role in New York. Beginning in April 1995, there will be five colloquia, with the final one scheduled near 24 October.

Location: HUNTER COLLEGE–New York, NY USA
Organizer: HUNTER COLLEGE (CUNY)–USA

17 April, 1995. Ends: 12 May, 1995

Review of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS - New York, NY USA

19 April, 1995. Ends: 22 April, 1995

International Conference on "Counselling for Tolerance"

Location: Valletta - MALTA
Organizer: INT'L ROUNDTABLE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COUNSELLING–UNITED KINGDOM
Phone: (44) 71351-1999

19 April, 1995

Conference on "Maintaining international peace - Argentina's contribution"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UN50–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1 111-835

21 April, 1995. Ends: 23 April, 1995

State of the World Forum

With Mikhail Gorbachev as host, world leaders involved with the resolution of the Cold War will convene to explore new foundations of global security and to discuss with youth leaders critical issues for the 21st Century.

Location: MASONIC AUDITORIUM - San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: GORBACHEV FOUNDATION–USA
Phone: (415) 771-4567 Fax: (415) 771-4443

25 April, 1995. Ends: 26 June, 1995

UN Charter Exhibit

Exhibit featuring original UN Charter - otherwise on exhibit at UN Headquarters during 1995

Location: VETERANS MEMORIAL OPERA HOUSE–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415) 989-1995 Fax: (415) 989-1996

25 April, 1995. Ends: 25 June, 1995

International Arts Festival

Location: San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415) 989-1995 Fax: (415) 989-1996

26 April, 1995. Ends: 26 June, 1995

San Francisco Revisited

A two-month exhibition of major artifacts related to the founding of the UN.

Location: M.H. DE YOUNG MUSEUM–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415) 989-1995 Fax: (415) 989-1996

26 April, 1995. Ends: 28 April, 1995

American Bar Association–International Law and Practice

The American Bar Association, Section of International Law and Practice, intends to hold part of its annual conference at the United Nations where the focus would be on international legal issues.

Location: DAG HAMMARSKJOLD AUDITORIUM - United Nations, NY USA
Organizer: AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION–USA
Phone: (202) 331-2239 Fax: (202) 457-1163

1 May, 1995

"Story of the United Nations"

Publication of a book - "Story of the United Nations" - prepared under the auspices of the Rajiv Ghandi Foundation for youth (aged 13-18).

Location: Book launch–New Delhi INDIA
Organizer: RAJIV GANDHI FOUNDATION–INDIA
Fax: (91) 11 301-8651

9 May, 1995. Ends: 14 May, 1995

United We Dance

In celebration of global similarities and differences, as expressed through the art of dance, the San Francisco Ballet presents an international festival to commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the UN.

Location: WAR MEMORIAL OPERA HOUSE–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: SAN FRANCISCO BALLET–USA
Phone: (415) 861-5600

17 May, 1995

130th Anniversary of International Telecommunications Union (ITU)

International Telecommunications Union founded 17 May 1965. World Telecommunications Day.

Organizer: ITU–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 730-5969 Fax: (41) 22 730-5939

17 May, 1995

Conference on "United Nations - Present and Future"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UNESCO–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1111-835

18 May, 1995. Ends: 20 May, 1995

"The United Nations: Peace, Security and Development" Conference

Statesmen, scholars, diplomats and politicians will gather for an assessment of the state of the world beyond the year 2000 in the context of the ideals, purposes and objectives of the United Nations.

Location: ATHENS UNIVERSITY - Delphi GREECE
Organizer: ATHENS UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS–GREECE
Phone: (30) 1 8237-361 Fax: (30) 1 8226-204

20 May, 1995

Symposium "Science & Culture: Common Path for the Future"

Location: Tokyo - JAPAN
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

1 June, 1995

Business Council for the UN World Congress

Location: New York, NY - USA
Organizer: BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR THE UNITED NATIONS–USA
Phone: (212) 661-1772

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1 June, 1995

IAUP/UN Commission on Arms Control Education

The International Association of University Presidents consists of 600 Heads of universities from 60 countries, organized by regional councils. The IAUP/UN Commission on Arms Control Education includes 180 scholars, university rectors, diplomats, government officials, military officers, peace activists and arms control professionals worldwide. A two-day symposium by IAUP/UN Commission on Arms Control Education (with the support of the UN Centre for Disarmament Affairs) to highlight the UN's educational effort towards world disarmament and inspire the academic community and ordinary citizens to get involved in that effort, using UN50 as a "peg".

Location: New York - USA
Organizer: INT'L ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS–USA

1 June, 1995

Young People's World Heritage Forum

Location: Beren - NORWAY
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

1 June, 1995. Ends: 1 July 1995

UNESCO "Floating University Cruise"

Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

12 June, 1995

Royal Philharmonic UN50 World Tour

In 1995, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra will launch a world tour to commemorate its own Fiftieth Anniversary and that of the United Nations. The performances will be conducted by RPO's music director, Vladimir Ashkenazy, and will include performances in up to fifty cities worldwide. World music forms will be incorporated into the programme with the cooperation of resident musical groups in each city on the Tour. The involvement of these local arts organizations will add considerably to interest in the Tour and will allow existing communications channel to be utilized for publicity purposes.

1995

12 June–Nottingham (UK); *13 June*–London (UK); *14 June*–Luxembourg; *17 June*–Mexico City (Mexico); *20 June*–Caracas (Venezuela); *23 June*–San Francisco, CA (USA); *27 June*–Buenos Aires (Argentina); *21 Sept.*–Nottingham (UK); *22 Sept.*–London (UK); *23 Sept.*–Berlin (Germany); *24 Sept.*–Paris (France); *27 Nov.*–Nottingham (UK); *28 Nov.*–London (UK); *1 Dec.*–Geneva (Switzerland); *2 Dec.*- Vienna (Austria); *4 Dec.*–Prague (Czech Rep.); 5 *Dec.*–Budapest (Hungary); *6 Dec.*–Kiev (Ukraine); *7 Dec.*–Moscow (Russian Fed.); *8 Dec.*–St. Petersburg (Russian Fed.); *9 Dec.*–Tallin (Estonia); *11 Dec.*–Stockholm (Sweden); *12 Dec.*–Copenhagen (Denmark).

1996

28 Feb.–Nottingham (UK); *29 Feb.*–London (UK); *2 March*–Tel Aviv (Israel); *3 March*–Cairo (Egypt); *6 March*–Nairobi (Kenya); *9 March*–Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe); *14 March*–South Africa; *22 June*–Orkney ,South Africa); *29 June*–Petra (Jordan); *1 July*–Ba'albek (Lebanon); *19 Oct.*–Nottingham (UK); 20 Oct.–London (UK); 23 Oct.–Washington, DC (USA); *24 October*–New York City (USA); *27 Oct.*–Toronto, Ontario (Canada); *28Oct.*–Ottawa, Ontario (Canada); *30 Oct.*–Reykjavik (Iceland).

Organizer: ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA LIMITED–UNITED KINGDOM
Phone: (44) 71 6082381 Fax: (44) 71 6081226

13 June, 1995

Advisory Committee on Protection of the Sea (ACOPS) Conference

The ACOPS will be holding a major conference in Rio de Janeiro. The meeting will mark the 50th Anniversary of the UN and the Third Anniversary of UNCED. The meeting will focus on assisting with preparations for the diplomatic conference on Land-based Sources of Marine Pollution, which will be held in the fall of 1995 in Washington, DC.

Location: Rio de Janeiro–BRAZIL
Organizer: ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PROTECTION OF THE SEA–UNITED KINGDOM
Phone: (44) 71 799-3033 Fax: (44) 71 799-2933

17 June, 1995. Ends: 21 June, 1995

Tenth World Citizens Assembly

A conference of the Association of World Citizens honouring the UN's 50th Anniversary
Location: SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY–San Francisco, CA USA

18 June, 1995. Ends: 28 June, 1995

World Summit of Children

Organized by the Coalition of Children of the Earth on the occasion of the UN's 50th Anniversary as the culmination of a global series of Preparatory Committee Meetings aimed at informing and educating young people worldwide about the UN and how they can effect change through their governments.

Location: MT. ALVERNO CENTRE–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: PEACEWAYS–USA
Phone: (415) 340 8940

19 June, 1995. Ends: 20 June, 1995

Academic Council on the UN System (ACUNS) Conference

The Council, whose members include 600 academics, scholars and practitioners as well as some 35 institutions, seeks to encourage international organization research, stimulate teaching in international organization studies and develop contacts between international officials and academicians. Annual meeting with the theme: "The UN at 50: Looking Ahead". Proposed keynote event: "A Conversation with the Secretary-General", a discussion moderated by two interlocutors.

Location: DAG HAMMARSKJOLD AUDITORIUM–United Nations, NY USA
Organizer: ACADEMIC COUNCIL ON THE UN SYSTEM–USA
Phone: (401) 863-3405 Fax: (401) 863-1270

19 June, 1995. Ends: 23 June, 1995

18th Asia-Pacific Scout Conference

The Boys Scouts will be focusing on the United Nations throughout the year in its meetings and conferences.

Location: SINGAPORE
Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

19 June, 1995. Ends: 26 June, 1995

We the Peoples: Vision of the UN at 100

NGO leaders and UN agency heads will convene to review the historic relationship between non-governmental organizations and the UN and plan for more effective partnership for the future.

Location: PRESIDIO–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

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19 June, 1995. Ends: 23 June, 1995

Forum of UN Ambassadors

Discussion by former United States Ambassadors to the UN on issues facing the UN.

Location: HERBST THEATER - San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

21 June, 1995

WHO Task Force on Development Policies

Organizer: WHO–USA
Phone: (212)963-6003 Fax: (212)223-2920

21 June, 1995

Conference on "Argentina in the International Economic Organizations"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UN50–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1111-835

23 June, 1995. Ends: 24 June, 1995

Visions of Peace

A forum of Nobel Peace Prize winners convened to express their hopes and visions for the world. Laureates will offer their view of the UN's role in the next fifty years.

Location: HERBST THEATER - San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

23 June, 1995. Ends 24 June

Production of Benjamin Britten's "Noah's Flood" and International Choral Festival

As Canada's gift to the city of San Francisco, 120 children will perform Benjamin Britten's short opera celebrating diversity of the species. Other performances will be in Toronto on June 9—10, in Montréal on June 12—13, and in Otowa on Jun 15—16.

Location: FIRST CONGREGATION CHURCH - San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UNITE NATIONS ASSOCIATION IN CANADA–CANADA
Phone: (613) 232-5751 Fax: (613) 563-2455

24 June, 1995. Ends: 25 June, 1995

The UN Rocks the World

A popular musical celebration featuring world music and art.

Location: Golden Gate Park–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

25 June, 1995

Interfaith Service

The Grace Cathedral will host a festive Service of Celebration which celebrates the unity of the human family through music and ritual.

Location: GRACE CATHEDRAL–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

26 June, 1995

San Francisco Commemoration

Location: San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: UN50 SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE–USA
Phone: (415)989-1995 Fax: (415)989-1996

2 July, 1995. Ends: 6 July, 1995

World Conference of Soroptimist International

The theme of the convention will be "Accepting the Challenge and Facing It" and will be developed in our programmes of activity, which are: Human Rights/ Status of Women; Economic and Social development; Health; Environment; Education and culture; Goodwill and Understanding. It will dedicate this meeting to Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations.

Location: Hilton on the Square–San Francisco, CA USA
Organizer: SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL–SWITZERLAND

2 July, 1995

Concert: Peace World in Hiroshima '95

Location: Hiroshima–JAPAN
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

2 July, 1995. Ends. 7 July, 1995

The United Nations–An International Conference

The main focus of the conference will be the changing nature of the UN in response to the contemporary transformations in world politics, with reference to: Global change and global governance; UN intervention and global human security, and; The UN and the Asia-Pacific region .

Location: MENZIES COLLEGE–La Trobe University, Melbourne–AUSTRALIA
Organizer: AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR UN50–AUSTRALIA
Phone: (61) 3 329-611 Fax: (61) 3 329-8629

3 July, 1995. Ends: 24 October, 1995

Dialogues of Peace

An exhibit will be organized by the Association Française d'Action Artistique (AFAA), with the support of the Government of France, featuring contemporary artists whose background and work reflect a marriage of diverse cultures and a link to UN goals/themes. Discussion is underway to possibly expand the pool of artists to include those who have lived and worked since the UN was founded in 1945, which would include Chagall, Picasso, and others.

Location: PALAIS DES NATIONS AND ARIANA PARK–Geneva–SWITZERLAND
Organizer: ASSOCIATION FRANÇAISE D'ACTION ARTISTIQUE–FRANCE

3 July, 1995

19th Inter-American Scout Conference

The Boy Scouts will focus on the United Nations at its meetings and conferences throughout 1995.

Location: CARTAGENA DE INDIAS–COLOMBIA
Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

4 July, 1995

World Education Fellowship Conference–"Fifty Years of the United Nations"

The World Education Fellowship will hold a special conference in London in July 1995 with the theme "Fifty Years of the UN: Education and the Renewal of Hope", with an emphasis on children of the world.

Location: London–UNITED KINGDOM
Organizer: WORLD EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP, THE UNITED KINGDOM
Phone: (44) 81 994-7258

5th July 1995

Concert for Peace–Sir Georg Solti Concert

Concert for Peace, a UN50 Global Project, given by an international orchestra conducted by Sir Georg Solti, performing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

Location: PALAIS DES NATIONS–Geneva, SWITZERLAND
Organizer: UNOG–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 917-2300 Fax: (41) 22 917 0030

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10 July, 1995

Observance of the 10th Anniversary of International Youth Year (IYY)

About 500 representatives of youth NGOs will participate in the event. The meeting will offer the opportunity to youth leaders to elaborate and adopt a declaration on their situations, problems and perspectives as they should be addressed during the forthcoming decade. A plan of action (the World Youth Programme of Action) will be adopted and 36 projects will be elaborated.

Location: COTE D'IVOIRE
Organizer: JEUNESSE XXI–COTE D'IVOIRE
Phone: (225) 41 04 50 Fax: (225) 41 04 50

22 July, 1995. Ends: 29 July, 1995

The 80th World Esperanto Congress

The theme of the Congress will be linked to the 50th Anniversary of the UN, and will include a retrospective of the relationship between the Association and the UN system, working groups on aspects of UN reform, and lectures by specialists in international relations, diplomats and NGO representatives. One day during the Congress will be dedicated to a Model United Nations Assembly involving young people from a wide range of countries with debates and discussions in Esperanto.

Location: Tampere–FINLAND
Organizer: UNIVERSAL ESPERANTO ASSOCIATION–THE NETHERLANDS

26 July, 1995

Conference on "Argentina's performance in the International Cultural Organizations"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UN50–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1111-835

31 July, 1995

38th International Diplomats' Seminar- "New Tasks and Challenges for the UN at the Turn of the Century"

The 38th International Diplomats Seminar at Klessheim Castle, Salzburg to be dedicated to the topic "New Challenges and Tasks for the United Nations at the End of the 20th Century".

Location: KLESSHEIM CASTLE–Salzburg AUSTRIA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF AUSTRIA FOR UN50–AUSTRIA
Phone: (43) 1 53115-0 Fax: (43) 1 535 453-0

2 August, 1995. Ends: 10 August, 1995

Boy Scouts 199 World Jamboree Recognition

The opening ceremony will take place on Thursday August 2, 1995 at 2:30 pm and will be attended by some 30,000 young Scouts and Guides from more than 100 countries.

Location: THE NETHERLANDS
Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

14 August, 1995. Ends: 15 August, 1995

Presbyterian Church Peacemaking Jubilee

The conference will look at the history of peacekeeping and the issue of peace-building in all its forms.

Location: New York, NY USA
Organizer: PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH–USA
Phone: (212) 697-4568

16 August, 1995

Seminar–"UN in the 21st Century"

Location: RAJIV GANDHI FOUNDATION–10 Janpath, New Delhi–INDIA
Organizer: RAJIV GANDHI FOUNDATION–INDIA
Fax: (91) 11 301-8651

21 August, 1995. Ends: 25 August, 1995

International Youth UN–UNA-USA

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA
Organizer: UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF THE USA–USA
Phone: (212) 697-3232 Fax: (212) 682-9185

21 August, 1995. Ends 25 August 1995

Youth Leadership Summit

A Youth Leadership Summit is being organized through the initiative of the Canadian UN50 Youth Committee, in partnership with UNA–USA and the World Federation of UNAs. The five-day event will include a three-day leadership training session for youth leaders from a number of organizations focussing on the results of the World Summit for Social Development.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

23 August, 1995

Conference on "United Nations contributions to the negotiations between Argentina and Great Britain"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UN50–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1111-835

30 August, 1995. Ends: 1 September, 1995

Inter-Parliamentary Union

A special session of the Inter-Parliamentary Council which will bring together approximately 400 persons representing 100 countries to discuss the issues facing the UN.

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA
Organizer: INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION–USA
Phone: (202) 334-3507; (301) 384-5059 Fax: (301) 236-9454

31 August, 1995. Ends: 2 September, 1995

The National Assembly on the United States and the United Nations

A major component of Anniversary activities in the United States, the Conference will be convened by the UNA-USA with co-sponsorship by many other organizations.

Location: Washington, DC USA
Organizer: UNA-USA–USA
Phone: (212) 697-3232

1 September, 1995. Ends: 30 October, 1995

Exhibition on the World Cultural Heritage: "From Abou Simbel to Angkor"

Location: New York, NY USA
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

4 September, 1995. Ends: 15 September, 1995

Fourth World Conference on Women

The Conference has been convened by the United Nations General Assembly, with the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women serving as the Preparatory Committee. The Conference will seek to review and appraise the advancement of women since 1985 in terms of the Objectives of the Nairobi Forward-Looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women to the Year 2000.

Location: BEIJING INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE–Beijing PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA
Organizer: FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN–USA
Phone: (212) 963 5086 Fax: (212) 963 3463

Calendar of Events (continued)

9 September, 1995

21st Arab Scout Conference

The Boy Scouts will be focusing on the United Nations in its meetings and conferences throughout 1995.

Location: Cairo–EGYPT

Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

20 September, 1995

Conference on "United Nations Security Council, Argentina's contributions"

Location: SAN MARTIN PALACE–Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Buenos Aires ARGENTINA

Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF ARGENTINA FOR UN50–ARGENTINA
Phone: (54) 1 811-0071 Fax: (54) 1 111-835

1 October, 1995. Ends: 30 December, 199

"Transforming Visions '95: The UN, 50 years of Peace Making" Exhibition

International exhibits by Michigan and Ontario artists around the theme "Transforming Visions '95: The UN, 50 years of peacemaking."

Location: SWORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES PEACE CENTER
33 East Adams Avenue, Detriot, MI USA

Organizer: SWORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES–USA
Phone: (313) 965-5422

8 October, 1995

9th African Scout Conference

The Boy Scouts will be focusing on the United Nations throughout 1995 in its meetings and conferences.

Location: Kampala–UGANDA

Organizer: WORLD ORGANIZATION OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 22 320 42 33 Fax: (41) 22 781 20 53

11 October, 1995 Ends: 13 October, 1995

International Symposium on Food

Location: Quebec–CANADA

Organizer: FAO–ITALY
Phone: (39) 6 579-73117 Fax: (39) 6 522-56501

11 October, 1995 Ends: 13 October, 1995

Symposium on "The Role on Non-State Actors in International law: The Case of Human Rights"

The symposium is organized jointly by the European centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM) and Masstricht University.

Organizer: EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR DEVT. POLICY MGT.–THE NETHERLANDS
Phone: (31) 43 255121 Fax: (31) 43 253636

16 October, 1995

50th Anniversary of FAO

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) founded 16 October 1945. World Food Day.

Organizer: FAO–ITALY
Phone: (39) 6 579-73117 Fax: (39) 6 522-56501

22 October, 1995 Ends: 24 October, 1995

Special Commemorative Session of the General Assembly to mark the Fiftieth Anniversary of the UN–Summit Gathering

Location: UN HEADQUARTERS–New York, NY USA

Organizer: FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY SECRETARIAT–USA
Phone: (212) 963-6828 Fax: (212) 963-4185

24 October, 1995

Global Teach-In

In connection with the Fiftieth Anniversary, it is proposed that schools worldwide dedicate a day or even a week to the study of the United Nations and the issues on its global agenda. The most appropriate time to hold special classes will be the week of 24 October 1995 (UN Day) to mark the Fiftieth Anniversary of when the United Nations Charter came into effect.

In order to assist in this effort, supplementary educational materials (separate proposal) are being developed in a variety of languages and will be in distribution by the spring of 1995. In addition, there are plans by several individual countries to introduce national curricular materials on the United Nations in connection with the Fiftieth Anniversary. Special training programmes for teachers are being arranged by UN Associations and National Committees for the Fiftieth Anniversary in cooperation with professional educators' associations, academic institutions, and other local organizations to better equip teachers to conduct classes on the United Nations.

Organizer: FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY SECRETARIAT–USA
Phone: (212) 963-6828 Fax: (212) 963-1185

24 October, 1995

UN Day Concert–Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra

Location: VIENNA KONZERTHAUS–Vienna–AUSTRIA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF AUSTRIA FOR UN50–AUSTRIA
Phone: (43) 1 53115-0 Fax: (43) 1 535 453-0

24 October, 1995

UN Day Concert–New York Philharmonic

Location: LINCOLN CENTER–New York, NY USA
Organizer: NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC–USA
Phone: (212) 875-5908 Fax: (212) 875 5929

1 November, 1995. Ends: 31 December, 1995

Exhibition on the World Cultural Heritage: "From Abou Simbel to Angkor"

Location: Paris–FRANCE
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

5 November, 1995

NYC Marathon–with UN50 theme

Location: New York, NY USA
Organizer: NEW YORK CITY COMMISSION FOR THE UN–USA
Phone: (212) 319-9300 Fax: (212) 319-3430

22 November, 1995

45th Anniversary of UNDP

Originally called UN Technical Service (1950), UN Development Programme (UNDP) was established in 1965.

Organizer: UNDP–USA
Phone: (212) 906-5742 Fax: (212) 906-5776

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14 December, 1995

"50 Years United Nations–40 Years Austrian UN Membership" Commemorative Event
In a speech given at the inaugural session of the National Committee of Austria for UN50 by Austrian Federal President, Franz Vranitzky, it was stated that Austria undertake a Scientific Panel Discussion on "A Review of the United Nations Charter".
Location: Vienna–AUSTRIA
Organizer: NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF AUSTRIA FOR UN50–AUSTRIA
Phone: (43) 1 53115-0 Fax: (43) 1 535 453-0

1 April, 1996

125th Anniversary of UPU
Universal Postal Union (UPU) established 1 April 1871
Organizer: UPU–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41) 31 350-3150

1 July, 1996. Ends: 5 July, 1996

World Congress of Engineering Deans & Industry Leaders
Organizer: UNESCO–FRANCE
Phone: (33) 1 45 68 10 00

4 November, 1996

50th Anniversary of UNESCO
UNESCO founded 4 November 1946
Organizer: UNESCO–USA
Phone: (212)963-4386 Fax: (212)355-5627

17 November, 1996

30th Anniversary of UNIDO
UNIDO established 17 November 1966
Organizer: UNIDO–USA
Phone: (212)963-6882 Fax: (212)963-7904

7 December, 1996

25th Anniversary of UNV
Organizer: UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41)22 7882455 Fax: (41)22 7882501

11 December, 1996

50th Anniversary UNICEF
Children's Fund established 1946.
Organizer: UNICEF–USA
Phone: (212) 326-7320 Fax: (212)326-7260

17 March, 1998

40th Anniversary of IMO
International Maritime Organization set up 17 March 1958. World Maritime Day
Organizer: IMO–UNITED KINGDOM
Phone: (44)71 735-7611 Fax: (44)71 587-3210

7 April, 1998

50th Anniversary of WHO
World Health Organization (WHO) founded 7 April 1948. World Health Day.
Organizer: WHO–SWITZERLAND
Phone: (41)22 791-3982 Fax: (41)22 790-1667

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United Nations S–3161, New York, NY 10017. Phone: (212) 963.1995. Fax: (212) 963.9545